CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION 1516 NINTH STREET

SACRAMENTO, CA 95814-5512



NOTICE OF RECEIPT PETITION TO AMEND THE ENERGY COMMISSION DECISION for the PALOMAR ENERGY PROJECT (01-AFC-24C)

On January 11, 2006, Palomar Energy, LLC filed a petition with the California Energy Commission requesting to modify the Palomar Energy Project. The 546-megawatt project was certified by the Energy Commission on August 6, 2003, and is currently 98 percent complete. The facility is located in the City of Escondido, in San Diego County.

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED MODIFICATION

The modifications proposed in the petition would allow the project to utilize the City of Escondido's backup raw water supply on an emergency basis for cooling tower makeup, process water, landscape irrigation and all other nonpotable uses in lieu of recycled water.

The City of Escondido has determined that it needs to provide a backup water supply for its recycled water customers. The City of Escondido filed a Categorical Exemption on October 18, 2005, for the construction of a permanent raw-water connection. A map is attached delineating the route for the City of Escondido's planned raw-water pipeline.

ENERGY COMMISSION REVIEW PROCEDURES

The purpose of the Energy Commission's review process is to assess the impacts of this proposal on environmental quality, and public health and safety. The review process includes an evaluation of the consistency of the proposed changes with the Energy Commission's Decision and if the project, as changed, would remain in compliance with applicable laws, ordinances, regulations, and standards (Title 20, Calif. Code of Regulations, section 1769). Energy Commission staff is currently analyzing the request and will publish an analysis in the next several weeks. A public hearing for the purpose of approving or denying the amendment proposal will subsequently be held at a regularly scheduled Energy Commission business meeting.

This Notice of Receipt is being mailed to parties on the post-certification mailing list.

The petition is available on the Energy Commission's website at www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/palomar/compliance/index.html. The staff analysis (when published), and the Energy Commission Order (if approved), will also be posted on the website. If you would like to receive a hard copy of the petition, staff's analysis, and/or the Energy Commission Order if the changes are approved, please complete the enclosed Information Request Form and return it to the address shown.

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If you have any comments or questions, please contact Connie Bruins, Compliance Project Manager, at (916) 654-4545, or by fax to (916) 654-3882, or via e-mail at: cbruins@energy.state.ca.us.

For further information on how to participate in this proceeding, please contact Margret J. Kim, the Energy Commission's Public Adviser, at (916) 654-4489, or toll free in California at (800) 822-6228, or by e-mail at pao@energy.state.ca.us. If you require special accommodations, please contact Lourdes Quiroz at (916) 654-5146. News media inquiries should be directed to Assistant Director, Claudia Chandler, at (916) 654-4989, or by e-mail at mediaoffice@energy.state.ca.us.

Date: February 9, 2006

ROGER E. JOHNSON, Manager Siting and Compliance Office Systems Assessment & Facilities Siting Division

Enclosure: Information Request Form

Mail List # 7152

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INFORMATION REQUEST FORM

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PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE COMMISSION DECISION FOR THE PALOMAR ENERGY PROJECT TO ALLOW THE USE OF RAW WATER AS AN EMERGENCY BACKUP SUPPLY TO RECLAIMED WATER

PLEASE CIRCLE THE DOCUMENTS YOU WOULD LIKE TO RECEIVE:

- PETITION TO AMEND
- STAFF ANALYSIS
- ENERGY COMMISSION ORDER

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